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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed January 8, 2003, and having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 8, 2003, a clean version of the replacement paragraph as required under 37 CFR 1.121 is provided herein.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 4, line 32 to page 5, line 5 with the following:

The first member 20 is formed from an elastic material that is softer than the material used to form the second member 30. The first member 20 and the second member 30 are